

Minutes of the Appleshaw Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 2nd March 2017 in the Appleshaw Village Hall, Appleshaw at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Mrs A Cowlin – Chairman
Cllr Mr J Clement – Vice Chairman
Cllr Mrs J Hopkins
Cllr Mr D Green
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton
Member of the Public – 1

Apologies: County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Mrs A Cowlin, ARC, Flower Show and WI; Cllr Mrs J Hopkins, Village Hall; Cllr Mrs R Bass, Flower Show Committee, Village Hall, School.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman then signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mr D Green and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Hopkins.

Matters arising:

GANG MOWER – Cllr Mr D Green reported that he has investigated prices of Gang Mowers. The best deal available has been found on Amazon. A 58inch cut three blade gang mowers suitable for the Appleshaw Playing Field. The gang mower can be towed behind the tractor and smaller sit on grass cutter. The price is £999. The Chairman proposed that the gang mower is purchased, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs R Bass, all agreed. The Clerk was asked to purchase the gang mower.

BENCH – Cllr Mr D Green provided a quote for a bench of £310. This was discussed. The Chairman reported that the Flower Show had discussed spending some of their funds for the village and suggested providing a second bench to commemorate Rev Ian Tomlinson. It was further suggested that both benches to inscribed as being from the Parish Council and the Flower Show Committee. The Parish Council thought this a good idea.

The Chairman proposed that one bench is purchased by the Parish Council to commemorate Mrs Jean Weeks and Rev Ian Tomlinson, this was seconded by Cllr Mr J Clement. All Agreed.

The Chairman stated that she will speak to both Jean and Ian's families before the benches are purchased to confirm that they are happy with the suggestions.

FOOTPATHS – The Clerk reported that the Penton Grafton Parish Council Footpath Officer had met on site with Mr G North to discuss the footpath adjacent to his building plot. Penton Grafton are happy that every effort has been taken by Mr North to keep the footpath open for the enjoyment of walkers.

The Clerk will confirm with Penton Grafton Footpath officer if the ploughed-up footpath through the field opposite Barncroft was mentioned to Mr North.
Cllr Mrs J Hopkins reported that the stiles across Mr H McCall's land have been lowered and one has been repositioned, one has been identified as being in bad condition.
Cllr Mrs J Hopkins and Cllr Mr J Clement have submitted a request to Hampshire County Council for footpath cutting of the footpaths.

30 MPH SIGN – The 30 MPH repeater sign by Barncroft has still not been reinstated.

PLANNING

16/03207/FULLN and 16/03208/LBWN – Internal works to include the adaption of the existing vestry to provide a new WC and kitchenette. Provision of a new access ramp from the nave with minor adjustment to the siting of the existing pews to the south wall and minor adjustments to screen to south transept to allow for these works. Minor external works to allow for provision of new foul drainage with new connection into the mains drainage system. – St Peters Church, Appleshaw. NO OBJECTION.

17/00056/TPON – reduce 1 holly tree to rear of property by up to 1 metre – Oak Trees, barncroft, Appleshaw. NO OBJECTION.

CERT UP-DATE

Cllr Mrs J Hopkins had nothing to report on CERT.

FINANCE.

EXPENDITURE - February and March 2017

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Richard Waterman | Wages - February | £180.00 |
| Richard Waterman | Wages - March | £180.00 |
| Penton Grafton Parish Council | Hire of Office for 2016/17 | £55.00 |
| R.N. Waterman | Expenses and Mac Afee | £162.99 |
| | | £577.99 |

INCOME

Allotment Rents £10
Grant for Fete £750

BANK BALANCE

| | |
|------------------|------------------|
| Opening Balance | £9,068.80 |
| Plus Income | £750.00 |
| Less Expenditure | £577.99 |
| Closing Balance | £9,240.81 |

BANK ACCOUNTS

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Allotments Account | = £1,014.09 |
| Current Account | = £9,240.81 |
| | = <u>£10,254.90</u> |

The above totals do not include the grant of £750 received from the Fete Committee.

VAT Reclaim submitted for £753.26 – not yet received.

VILLAGE HALL.

Cllr Mrs R Bass reported that the Village Hall has received a good tidy up. The next project is to refurbish the Kitchen and toilets. There is a new Pilate Class in the Village Hall on a Wednesday afternoon from 2pm – 3pm.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MRS P MUTTON

Cllr Mrs P Mutton reported that TVBC are increasing their part of the Council Tax bill by £5 for a Band D property.

Cllr Mrs P Mutton reported that there is a full Council meeting scheduled to discuss the proposed Ward Boundary changes. It is proposed to split the Penton Bellinger Ward and

there will only be one Borough Councillor. Cllr Mrs P Mutton briefly spoke about re-cycling in TVBC.

Cllr Mrs P Mutton wished to acknowledge and congratulate Mr Bruce Parker on receiving the MBE for services to Hampshire and Winchester Cathedral.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

It was noted that there have been no Neighbourhood Watch reports in the village for some time, despite a recent spate of crimes. The Chairman will contact Mr R Caddy for an update.

BROADBAND SUMMIT

The Chairman reported that she had attended the North-West Hampshire Broadband Summit on the 3rd February 2017. Super-Fast Broadband is not due to be available in Appleshaw and Redenham until September 2018, however this does not include Ragged Appleshaw. There have only been two requests for Super-Fast Broadband in Ragged Appleshaw, the residents of ragged Appleshaw need to be encouraged to register their interest to be included. Cllr Mrs R Bass will confirm with the School what provider they are currently using.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS

CLLR MR J CLEMENT – Reported that landowners in Redenham have done their bit and the village is looking tidy. Southern Water have agreed to come back and make good the work they did last year.

CLLR MRS J HOPKINS – Suggested that the Parish Council hold a Parish Assembly, this would be an ideal opportunity to encourage residents to sign up to CERT. The Chairman suggested that this followed the AGM in May. The Parish Council agreed. Refreshments will be offered at the parish Assembly.

Cllr Mrs J Hopkins reported that in wet weather a large puddle forms at the junction at Tilley Down and obliterates the give way markings, there is no Give Way sign and it has been suggested that one is requested. A recent incident involving a large lorry not stopping at the junction was reported. A request for a sign will be forwarded to Highways.

Cllr Mrs J Hopkins requested that the list of Parish Councillors responsibilities is up-dated on the Web Site, as she is still listed as Planning.

Cllr Mrs J Hopkins asked if the Parish Council had any views on the proposed changes to the TVBC Ward Boundaries? The Chairman asked the parish Councillors to read the information provided by the Clerk by email and she would collate a response. Closing date for the consultation is the 3rd April 2017.

MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC

Reiterated concerns that the Neighbourhood Watch reports are not available.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

AGM - 11th May 2017 followed by a Parish Assembly.